



South Yakima Conservation District

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Job Announcement

Agricultural Resource Technician

This position will address solving on-farm natural resource issues by providing direct technical assistance to private landowners and operators within the boundaries of the South Yakima Conservation District through farm/conservation planning, implementation of Best Management Practices, and information/education.

This is a full-time, forty (40) hours per week position.

Salary: \$2,500 - \$3,000/month DOE plus benefits.

Closing Date: Open until position is filled.

How to apply: Please provide a cover letter, a completed application form available from the conservation district office or our web site – <http://syecd.scc.wa.gov/>, a resume, and three professional references to South Yakima Conservation District.

Requirements: This position requires a solid background in agricultural operations/practices and a working knowledge of irrigation systems, soil and water conservation principles, and water quality related issues. A high degree of confidentiality and diplomacy, along with common sense is required. In addition, the following are also required:

- Ability to maintain a professional work ethic while completing all duties assigned in a timely, courteous and professional manner.
- Must be able to effectively communicate verbally and in writing with cooperators, co-workers, and others.
- Must be able to make presentations to groups of all ages.
- Must be able to work independently and in groups, work efficiently and honestly, and be self motivated.
- Must be competent in reading, writing, speaking, hearing, and understanding the English language. Knowledge of the Spanish language would be helpful.
- Ability to walk long distances in all types of terrain with possible exposure to inclement weather; lift and carry equipment and materials.
- Must have computer skills using Microsoft Office; Knowledge of ArcView/ArcMap software and web skills are highly desired.
- Must have a valid Washington State drivers license.
- Knowledge of Conservation Districts and/or Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is a plus.



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Duties:

- Promote the organization, role, mission, goals and programs of the Conservation District.
- Address natural resource concerns by working with landowners and operators in the development of natural resources conservation plans.
- Provide technical assistance to the public as needed.
- Promote and manage a cost-share program for the implementation of Best Management Practices.
- Assist in writing grant applications to funding sources for program implementation.
- Attend and provide a verbal report to the Board of Supervisors at the monthly District Board meetings.
- Participate on committees as assigned by the Board of Supervisors.
- Know and comply with all District Personnel Policies.
- Assist with the Livestock Nutrient Management Grant Program as needed.
- Assist with general office duties as needed.
- Complete other tasks as assigned.